

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 3 and 4. Specifically, Figs. 3 and 4 have been amended by replacing instances of “min” with --sec--.

Attachment: Replacement sheet
 Annotated sheet showing changes

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are presently pending in the application. Claims 14-22 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claims 1-13 are allowed.

Drawings

Filed concurrently herewith are drawing corrections to Figs. 3 and 4. It is respectfully submitted that these drawing corrections have been made to correct minor errors by replacing the captions "min" with --sec--. Applicants submit that such changes do not add new matter to the present application. These changes are supported by page 15, line 21 – page 16, line 30 of the specification.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 14, 15, 20, and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,519,002 to Tomaszewski (hereafter "Tomaszewski").

Without conceding the appropriateness of this rejection, Applicants have canceled claims 14-22 above. Accordingly, this rejection has been rendered moot.

CONCLUSION


Entry of this Amendment After Final is respectfully requested in that it raises no new issues requiring further search and/or consideration. In view of this Amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

However, should the Examiner believe that any outstanding matters remain in the present application, he is requested to contact Applicants' representative, Jason Rhodes (Reg. No. 47,305) at the telephone number of the undersigned in order to discuss the application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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FIG.3

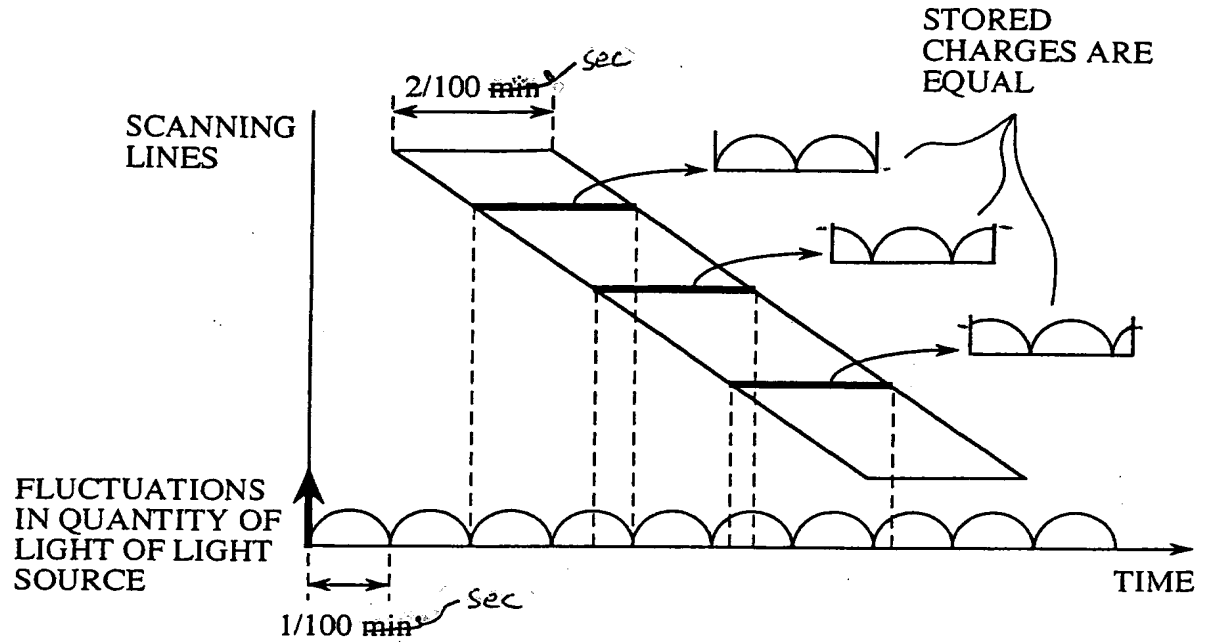


FIG.4

